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at all times. The expediency of some such convenience as this may surely be gathered from the accident to which we have referred, and which might have ended far more seriously than it did.

WHAT is the highest amount of taxation that a prosperous country can bear without being crushed, and is there any instance known of that limit having been past, and of a country having been ruined by its debt, or by the cost of government? It is true that a great many communities, more or less civilised, are, at the present moment, in pecuniary circumstances. Turkey has had to repudiate; Egypt is in the hands of accountants; Austria, notwithstanding its quasi-constitutional Government, has been obliged arbitrarily to lower the rate of interest on its securities; Italy, though it has now been for years a united kingdom, cannot bring its income up to its expenditure; Spain has been for some time in the depths of financial degradation. Even in the new world, some States have repudiated their obligations, and the same policy has been proposed for the Federal Government, though not likely ever to be adopted. But in none of these cases can one honestly say that the revenue could not really be raised by an honest and vigorous Government. Even in the worst case of all—that of Turkey—it is admitted that, great as has been the waste and heavy as is the debt, if the country were placed at once in the hands of Anglo-Indian administrators, they would extract the necessary revenue without difficulty, and extract it each succeeding year with more ease as the security for life and property gave a fresh stimulus to industry.

The problem as to what a prosperous country can do, has been illustrated in the eight of all the world by the recent experience of France. When BISMARCK demanded an indemnity of £300,000,000 sterling, there can be no doubt that he thought it would press very heavily indeed on the conquered country, and that it would cripple it financially for a long term of years. It was not probably his policy to ruin France, inasmuch as ruin would have meant revolution, and a revolutionary France would have been inconvenient to Germany. But he certainly did mean to put it in such difficulties as would prevent it from having the resources necessary for waging a large war until Germany had had abundant time to consolidate itself. But the indemnity was not nearly the full cost of the war. The home charges, including the insurrection of the Commune, added at least £170,000,000 to the indemnity. Altogether therefore France found itself suddenly saddled with an extra debt of at least £370,000,000. This state of things followed immediately on seventeen years of Imperial extravagance, during which period no less than £80,000,000 had been added to the National debt. Yet in spite of all this the finances of France are at this moment sounder than they were at any time under the Empire. The accounts put before the country are more honest, and the real truth is now better known. The people have the satisfaction of seeing that heavy as their burden is they are able to bear it, and that they know the truth about the public finances. That the system of taxation in France is one that commends itself to theoretical economists, certainly cannot be said, but it is undoubtedly productive, and gives proof of the increasing prosperity of the country. In the present financial year just closed, the direct taxes will have yielded £2,000,000 sterling more than estimated, and the indirect taxes have yielded more than £4,000,000 over the estimate. Even admitting that the estimate was low, and was perhaps purposely made low, still there is no mistaking the meaning of this unexampled increase. The gross revenue for the year will not be less than £103,000,000. This shows that France is rich; is industrious, and is frugal; and that Frenchmen have still confidence in its future. How much more taxation the country can bear, no one can say, and for their own sakes it is to be hoped that they will not attempt fortune further. But it is certain that they can bear their present burden without being crushed by it.

**DISTRICT COURT.**—Business for this day: For Judgment: *Guest v. Evans, Barker v. Moore*. New Trial Motion: *Curran v. M'Richards* and others. Supreme Court Leave: *Economy v. Wells*. *Wells v. Economy*. *Hutcheon and Ettridge v. Foster*. **DEBATE AT QUARTER SESSIONS.**—A correspondent complains bitterly of the time and money wasted by prosecutors and witnesses at the Quarter Sessions. The arraignment of all the prisoners on the first day of the sessions, and the subsequent arraignment of a certain number of cases to be tried on each day, are the cause of this. He suggests that the cases should be arranged in order of importance, and added to the public convenience.

**LINNEAN SOCIETY.**—The ordinary monthly meeting of this Society was held at the Rooms, Hunter-street, on last Wednesday evening. After the ordinary routine business, a paper was read by Mr. Brazier in continuation, on "The Mollusca of the Chevert Expedition"; the families dealt with being *Hydrobia ulva*, *Hutcheon*, and *Ettridge*. In all thirty-three species, six of which had not been previously described. Mr. Ramsey then read a paper on the "Vertebrate Fauna of New Britain, New Ireland, and the Dutch York Island. Albatrosses." Notes were given from the "Cormorant, Albatross, and the Gulf of Carpentaria." And also "Notes (with descriptions of new species) of a number of birds from Port Moresby, presented to the Australian Museum by Mr. S. J. May, of the High Commission." The last paper was exhibited by Mr. Ramsey. Fossil bones of a species of *Halmaturus* from Darling Downs, obtained by T. H. Cockburn, Esq., F.G.S., &c., were exhibited by the honorary secretary.

**THE ALL-ENGLAND RETURN MATCH.**—The selection committee at a meeting yesterday morning selected the eleven players for the All-England Return Match. The players selected were: Bannerman, C. Bannerman, A. Docker, Dummett, Evans, Garrett, D. Gregory, E. Gregory, Murdoch, Morgan, Powell, Rush, Spofforth, Seale, Sheridan, Thompson, Toother, Tindall, and West.

**SPEECHES OF FRANCE ABST.**—It may not be generally known that amongst the French exiles in London, there are a number of persons who have whose works find their way here from time to time. Messrs. Montefiore and Montefiore have received several admirable studies in terra cotta ware, of the work of *deposited*. The subjects being chiefly of local character, such as native scenery and aboriginal figures. Laprot, a Communist, living at the Isles Pinses, recently executed a small work, illustrative the mythological story of *Leda*, and the swan which bears the impression of being the production of a cultivated artist whose talents would find more congenial employment in Paris than being wasted in expiating his offences on a barren island of the South Pacific.

**STINKY INFIRMARY.**—There have been admitted the following cases for treatment:—Ellen Linton, who had severely injured her arm; James McCall, from a fall; and Alfred Lumsden, who had received a cut in her forehead.

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A BRANCH of this Bank is now open at Temporary Office, No. 264, Market Street, under the management of Mr. WILLIAM CLARKE, for the transaction of all usual banking business.  
**JOHN DOWLING,** Acting Manager.  
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**JOHN MAC DONALD, Jun., Secretary.**  
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**The Sydney Morning Herald.**  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1876.

CARRYING on negotiations by means of the telegraph is not without its disadvantages, if we may judge from the papers on the Pacific Mail Service recently submitted to Parliament. The curtness of the telegraphic form not unfrequently leads to an ambiguity of expression—an ambiguity not perceived by the sender of the message, who knows what he means, and sometimes not perceived at first sight by the receiver of the message, who promptly forms an opinion as to the meaning, which is sometimes an erroneous one. Moreover, in delicate negotiations between Governments a little diplomatic tact is greatly needed in so framing proposals as not to wound the sensitiveness of an ally; and the brevity of telegraphic communications plays sad havoc with the nice terms of expression which serve to disguise, if they cannot wholly remove, the disagreeableness of an unpleasant suggestion.

The general result, however, of the messages that have passed between Sydney and Wellington comes out at the end pretty clearly. The first thing to be noted is that the forked service has proved itself to be badly designed. As we always predicted that this would be the case, we are not surprised at this result. It was evident to everybody that to compel large ocean-going ships to perform a local service, and to be putting into some little local harbour every other day, was a waste of power, and a very unnecessary risk of property. We can understand the *amou* *prop* of the New Zealand provinces, cities, and we do not imply any reproach to it at the same time it went too far in claiming rights inconsistent with the general good. All the world over, wherever commerce is allowed to take its natural routes, we find that great ports become great radiating centres. So far as the mail service is concerned, there are several instances where even an inferior port has been chosen on account of the convenience of its situation; but there is no instance in the world where any such system has been carried out as that which was demanded by New Zealand. However, to please our allies, the experiment has been made, and it has resulted as every one except those interested in forcing it on, foresaw that it must end. The difficulty of getting in and out of the harbours was proved to hazard the punctuality of the service, while the contractors themselves felt the risk to their property so great, that they plainly stated that they would forfeit the penalty, and abandon the contract, rather than continue on the present footing.

Some alteration, therefore, being inevitable, three questions remained.—First, what shall be the port of call in New Zealand? secondly, what shall be the reduction in the subsidy? and, thirdly, what shall be the distribution of that reduced amount as between the Governments of Sydney and Wellington. On the first point, the preference in Sydney has always been for the Bay of Islands, and that simply on the ground of a saving of time. This question is one of far more importance for Sydney than it is for New Zealand. We have never yet succeeded in getting up the theoretical rate of speed of mail delivery between Sydney and London by the American route, and, therefore, we have never been able to make the Pacific service alternate exactly with the Suez service. Anything, therefore, that would save delay would be to us an important

SYDNEY HEADS.			
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December 23.	8.30 a.m.	N.E.	Light.
December 24.	8.30 a.m.	S.W.	B. & C.



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runs, 32 runs, 3 wickets. Ulyett, 74 balls, 8  
runs, 23 runs, 3 wickets.

**ALL-ENGLAND ELEVEN.**

W. G. Grace, 100 runs. F. St. Johns, 100 runs.  
Barnard and Bennett went in and received one  
run from Allan, when the stumps were drawn.

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**CHARGE OF FRAUDING A COMPANY OF GAS.**  
A charge has been made against a consumer of  
gas of defrauding the Hobart Town Gas Company  
of a quantity of gas valued at £7 10s. The Bench  
refused to try the case.



THE CUSTOMS REGULATION BILL.

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30	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	32	67	4	10.00	7.6
31	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	33	67	4	10.00	7.6
32	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	34	67	4	10.00	7.6
33	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	35	67	4	10.00	7.6
34	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	36	67	4	10.00	7.6
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36	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	38	67	4	10.00	7.6
37	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	39	67	4	10.00	7.6
38	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	40	67	4	10.00	7.6
39	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	41	67	4	10.00	7.6
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42	63	80.0	0.0	N.W.	44	67	4	10.00	7.6
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Rise	Sets	Phases of the Moon.
6.00 a.m.	8.15	December.
6.29 p.m.	8.40 a.m.	Full moon: 1st
7.20 a.m.	9.15	Last day: 1st
7.50 p.m.	9.50 a.m.	New moon: 12th
8.40 a.m.	10.25	First quarter: 16th
9.30 p.m.	11.00	Second quarter: 22nd
1.00 a.m.	11.25 p.m.	Moon's age: 27 days!

H. C. REESSE, Government Astrologer.

ere the just admiration which that man has  
deserves of the value and devoted character of Mr.  
George Smith's services to history renders the award  
a just distinction; as well as a material assistance  
to the fatherless family. Of those labours there is  
without one opinion throughout the realm of learn-  
ing, and it is a matter of the deepest gratification  
to that, discerning the importance of Mr. Smith's  
services, and the sterling qualities of the scholar  
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of his life. It is also true that in the occupation of the researcher, thus initiated a priceless life of incalculable value; but it was not for his splendid capacity for his work and dauntless energy, had enriched historical science with treasures of discovery still far in being exhausted finally appreciated. Such a labourer is necessarily involved in the fields of erudition, while to those not kind dearest to him no ethumous praise can be held void left by his virtues and sweetness of

position. But this widow and childless man will assuredly find in all which sympathy and consolation may and do, the respect of the highest nobility. He accompanies this noble deputation from the court of the Throne; and if few great scholars we did so sadly, in the midland of their country, none we think, have met with a more noble and gracious recognition, where Lord Beaconsfield has addressed to Mrs. George Smith, 43, Abchurch-lane-street, Whitehall, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1875, "The Queen, sympathizing with the noble efforts which you have made for the betterment of the human race, has been pleased to confer on you a pension of 100 per annum. I have directed that the Queen's gracious intention should be carried out, and that the honour be paid to you, as the faithful servant, BEACONSFIELD, To Mrs. George Smith."

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**AUCTION NOTICE**  
**PERTH ADVERTISER**

**PROPERTY ADVERTISEMENTS.**

**W. PRITCHARD** intimates to speculators and others that full particulars of property that he has been instructed to submit for public competition in January, 1877, will appear in **THE MORNING NEWS, Herald, Echo, and Evening News.**

**ORDER OF SALE.**

**THIS DAY, FRIDAY.**

**CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES**  
for Auction Sale, at the Rooms, Piccadilly-street.

**THIS DAY, Friday, at half-past 11.**

**FRENOE-STREET.** Two Houses, Nos. 94 and 11; Prince-street north, a few yards north of Argyle-road.

**GOULBURN-STREET.** Reared in a Blacksmith's Shop and Cottages, Goulburn-street, Sully Hill, a few feet west of Rillay-street.

**MURRAY-STREET, SULLY HILLS.** Two detached family Residences, Nos. 7 and 8; Oriel-street, Bourke-street, Sully Hill, south of Fitzroy-street.

**HEDDERN.** Two water-closet Cottages, corner of George-street and Sully-street, south of Cleveland street.

**RICHARDSON AND WRENCH.**

**TO CAPITALISTS, SPECULATORS, AND OTHERS.**

**IMPORTANT SALE.**

**EXTENSIVE SUBURBAN PROPERTY.**

**LOUGHCALL ESTATE, GEORGE'S RIVER.**  
616 ACRES by grant, 605 ACRES by Mr. Surrygrove's name & survey. Part of a Bankstown on a wide

MEMORIAL OF GEORGE'S RIVER, about 8 miles from THE SHIPRAED RAILWAY STATION, via the VILLAGE OF CANTERBURY, Cook's River, and about 13 MILES FROM SKIDNEY, together with the VALUABLE IMPROVED PASTURE and a comfortable RESIDENCE CLEARED LAND, &c.

VILLAGE OF CANTERBURY.  
Three CHOICE ELOCHES OF LAND in the heart of the Village, adjoining the C Church.

ROBERTSONSON and WRENCH have received  
BY their Attorney, JOHN WILLIAM HARDY, Esq.,  
of Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 19th JANUARY, at 11 o'clock,  
LOU O'GALLI,  
SALF PAIN CREEK,  
BROOKS RIVER.

This important extensive suburban estate, comprises  
the following lots:—  
1. A certain parcel of 130 acres  
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**Potatoes.** The instructions of the proprietor (now resident in 14 land) are positively to sell to those his affairs in the colony.

**VILLAGE OF CANTERBURY.**  
LOT '1.—5 a. 2 r. 32 p., with large frontages to the Canterbury and Sugar House Roads.  
LOT '2.—1 a. 3 r. 39 p., on the Canterbury Road.  
LOT '3.—2 a. 6 r. 32 p., on the Canterbury and Sugar House Roads, on which there is a cottage residence.  
These are well situated elevated sites. Lots 1 and 2 adjoin the Church, and lot 3 is opposite. Plans on view at this office. Terms liberal.

For further particulars can be obtained at the Rooms, or from **JAMES MORTON, Esq.,** Vendor's Solicitor.

By order of the Trustees of the Will of the late **JAMES ROBERTS, Esq.,** of Hadden.

**EXTENSIVE IMPORTANT SALE,  
CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES.**  
**HUNTER STREET,  
CASTLEREAGH STREET,  
ELIZABETH STREET,  
STANLEY STREET,  
RILEY STREET,  
REDFERN,  
PETERSHAM,  
COOK'S RIVER.**

**RICHARDSON and WRENCH** have received instructions to sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on  
**FRIDAY, 12th January, at 11 o'clock.**  
The following valuable properties, produced by  
2 HOUSES, HUNTER STREET  
3 HOUSES, CASTLEREAGH STREET  
1 HOUSE, ELIZABETH STREET  
1 HOUSE, STANLEY STREET  
2 HOUSES, RILEY STREET  
LAND, REDFERN  
LAND, PETERSHAM  
LAND, COOK'S RIVER.

Full particulars of which will appear in an early advertisement.

**Messrs. SCARVALL and GORDON, Young ;  
Messrs. CAFE and WETGARTH, Sydney ;**  
Solicitors of the Trusts.

For Sale by Public Auction,  
on  
**MONDAY, January 5, 1877.**  
By virtue of a Decree of the Vice-Admiralty Court of  
Queensland, and under instructions from John Keane,  
Esq., Marshal of the said Court.

The Clipper Barge,  
**PEONY,**  
286 tons register.  
Important to Merchants, Shipbuilders, Spiculators,  
and others.

**GEORGE HARRIS and CO. have been**  
favoured with instruction from John Keane,  
Esq., Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty Court of Queensland,  
and in pursuance of a Decree of the said Court, made on  
Wednesday, November 29, 1876, to sell by public auction,  
at the Royal Hall, Brisbane, on **MONDAY,**  
January 5, 1877, at noon.

The Clipper barge **PEONY**, 286 tons register, as she  
was lately located in the River Brisbane, off the  
Botanical Gardens, Brisbane, with her masts, spars,  
standing and running rigging, sails, and stores, ballast,  
and all other her belongings, and stores.

This compact and useful barge was built in England, and  
is admirably adapted for the inter-colonial and to foreign  
trade. She is in fine condition, has strong rigging,  
is well found, and requires but little expenditure to make  
her equal to any vessel trading in the colonies.

She will be sold with all her tackle, apparel, stores,  
ballast, furniture, &c.

**IN ONE LOT,**  
and as she must be sold, the Auctioneers would rec<sup>d</sup> command  
all buyers to inspect her, forthwith.

**Terms, cash.**

**Notes.—**Certs of Inspection may be obtained from the  
Auctioneers, or at the Office of the Marshal of the Court,  
at both of which places a complete inventory of the above  
ship's tackle, apparel, furniture, and stores, may be seen.

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH  
WALES.**  
Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 25th December, 1876.

**JACOB V. WALSH.**

**ON FRIDAY**

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